Meetings of Hindi Salahakar Samiti

198. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) when the Hindi Salahakar Samiti was re-constituted in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions;

(b) the number of sittings of the Samiti held during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the efforts made to conduct its meeting regularly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS OF PENSIONERS WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Hindi Salahakar Samiti of this Ministry was reconstituted on May 17, 2000.

(b) and (c) After reconstitution of the Samiti, action was initiated to' hold its meeting. However, a meeting of the Samiti scheduled to be held on August 11, 2000, could not be held for certain unavoidable reasons. Before that, no meeting of the Samiti could be held as it could not be reconstituted earlier owing to various factors *viz.* non-completion of the process of seeking the requisite nominations for the Samiti, dissolution of the 11th and ihc 12th Lok Sabha on December 04, 1997 and April 26, 1999 respectively, etc. The meeting of the Samiti is now scheduled to be held on March 23, 2001.

Setting up of pension fund

199. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have mooted a new proposal for setting up of Pension Fund for the Central Government employees;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the proposed fund will cover the existing